

Amendment
Application No. 10/800,749
Attorney Docket No. 042193

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in the above-identified application.

Claim 1 is hereby amended to recite that *said third impurity-diffused region has a higher impurity-concentration than said second impurity-diffused region*. Also, claim 14 is hereby added to depend from claim 1 and recite that *said third impurity-diffused region has a higher impurity-concentration than said first impurity-diffused region*. Applicants respectfully submit that these features are neither taught nor suggested by the references cited by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner allow claim 1-14.

However, should the Examiner deem that any further action by Applicants would be desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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